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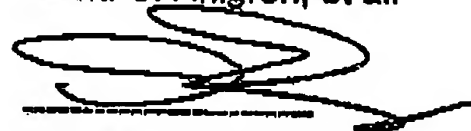
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**REMARKS**

Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 1-18 are pending in the application. By this amendment, claims 19-26 are cancelled. Applicants also elect Group I, claims 1-18, without traverse.

Applicants request examination on the merits. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below, if needed.

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